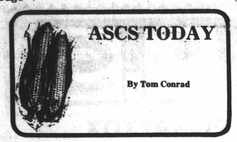

ASCS TODAY

By Tom Conrad

ASCS COMMITTEE ELECTIONS - On October 5, ASCS will mail all known eligible voters a letter and blank petition for you to nominate a candidate you want to run for Community Committeeman. I encourage you to use this opportunity to nominate your farm neighbors as candidates in the committee election.

The ASC committee provides the important service of administrating government farm programs to the farm community. The election will be conducted by mail from November 24 to December 4. Eligible voters will be provided with instructions for filling out the secret ballot and returning it to the ASCS office.

Most resident farmers are eligible to hold office as ASC committeemen. If you would like detailed information concerning eligibility requirements, you should contact the ASCS office.

In filling out a petition, you should be careful to include the name of only one nominee, the signatures of at least three eligible ASC voters who support the nominee and certification that the nominee is willing to serve, if elected. Petition must contain this information, without it they will not be accepted. The completed petition should be dated and mailed or be delivered to the ASCS office no later than October 31.

Any concerned farmer with an interest in serving fellow farmers would be an asset to the ASC committee. For this reason, you are urged to petition for the farmers of your choice. The individual farmer will benefit in the long run from a responsible, concerned team of ASC committeemen in the local administration of U.S. government farm programs.

Wheat Set-Aside Program - 1979 - This should give you time to help you plan your fall planting. The program again this year is voluntary and if you do participate you can plant your crops in any amount so long as you don't plant more than your Normal Crop Acreage (NCA) minus the required set-aside.

The National loan rate for 1979 is $2.35 per bushel. The target price for 1979 is $3.40 per bushel. The required set-aside is 20 percent of the acreage planted for lowest as grain.

Basically all other program provisions will remain essentially the same as it was in 1978.

Redesignation Period for Flue Tobacco - Flue-cured producers are reminded that the next warehouse redesignation period is October 2 - October 6. Those producers that redesignate may not sell their tobacco at the redesignated warehouse until October 16.

Beckham

September 10 - Mr. Larry Stallings of Bellvidere, N. C. spent Friday night with Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Moore and Timmy Moore.

Sunday dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Gibbs Martin were Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Martin, Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Martin, Jr., Kathy Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred D. Martin and boys. Visiting in the afternoon were Mr. and Mrs. Sonny Carter and Mr. Russell Martin.

Those who went for the picnic at Lakeside Sunday given by B&W for their employees and families were Mr. and Mrs. Tom Schmutz and family, Mrs. Rachel Tweedy, Michelle, Tracey, Kevin Moore, Mrs. Geraldine Moore and Gwen Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Martin, Mrs. Charles Tweedy, Tracey,

Mrs. Gertrude Burge, Mrs. Judy Jamerson and Shannon and E. W. Martin visited Mr. and Mrs. Bob Ritenour of Occoquan last Saturday.

Mrs. Gertrude Burge was honored on her birthday at her home. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Tweedy, Michelle and Tracy, Mrs. Judy Jamerson and Shannon and Mr. Ricky Burge.

Mr. and Mrs. Kermit Driskill, Mrs. Eural Martin and Don Martin visited Mr. H. O. Martin and Mrs. Emory Martin last Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Allen Gardner visited in this home recently.

September 18 - Rally Day was observed at Trinity United Methodist Church Sunday with good attendance. The Fellowship Four and Jackie presented a program of music for the eleven o'clock service. Lunch was served on the lawn.

Mr. and Mrs. Randolph Tyree and Mr. and Mrs. Abner Martin visited Mr. and Mrs. Howlett Drinkard, Donald Lee and Miss Eunice Martin for the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Stanley spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Martin.

Thomas T. Martin was honored on his birthday Saturday night at his home in Appomattox, his family and brothers and sisters and their families were present for the occasion.

Miss Peggy Watkins of Vienna spent Sunday night with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Morris, Melanie, Ronnie and Mrs. S. G. Martin.

Ronnie Morris left this morning for Atlanta, Georgia where he will be attending Emory University.

Local Students Inducted Into Honor Society

Elon Baptist Church of Pamplin City, announced today that two of their students have been inducted into **The Society of Distinguished American High School Students.**

Students who were inducted are Steve Cobb, a junior at Appomattox High School, and Katherine Elam, a junior at Prince Edward Academy.

The Society, which is one of the nation's foremost high school honoraries, inducted the students because of their demonstrated excellence in scholastic leadership and civic achievement according to Bill Trimyer, pastor.

The National Awards Program is sponsored by fifty-eight colleges from across the country. Thousands of dollars in scholarship funds from these institutions are made available to Society members each year. Sponsor Elon Baptist Church received a National Appreciation Award from the Society on behalf of the students and stated, "I am extremely proud of these exceptional students and the honor that they have received. It is a reward and should also be accepted as a challenge to them to continue their course of excellence."

One of the Society's guiding principles is to promote both academic and civic achievement on the high school level by recognizing students in its Membership Registry. The **Society of Distinguished American High School Students,** which is published annually, and distributed nationwide.

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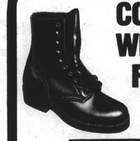

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SUSAN BAILEY (with back to camera), Personnel Manager at Armstrong Furniture Company, is shown filling out name tags for Patricia Snell, Rennae Wesley, Lloyd Wesley, Jr., Arlinda Wesley, and in back, Michael Wesley and Rose Wesley.

READY TO EAT are Teresa Johnson, Elsie Davis, Albert Davis, and Rhonda Daniels with the balloon.

ON THE WAY TO PLAY HORSESHOES are Billy and Betty Conner and Dillard and Margie Franklin.

Armstrong "Fun Day"

By Becky Moore

Armstrong really had a "Fun Day" Saturday, September 16th, when they held their third annual picnic at Holiday Lake 4-H Camp.

They started at 2 p.m. and played games for children, softball, ping pong and bingo until 7 p.m. There was plenty of fried chicken, slaw, baked beans and peach cobbler. We even got Billy and Betty Conner in our pictures. Bill Lowe and his wife, Naomie, were there but they must have been camera shy along with Ruth and Bruce Cowan. We did get some good pictues and if your name doesn't fit your face, it's not all the Times-Virginian's fault because Betty Conner is not the only one that "switched name tags". Betty Drinkard helped with the action shots.

Milton Cyrus and Pete Johnson came to the rescue of a lady Saturday and saved "a marriage", when they helped a lady get her car started out at Holiday Lake after she left her lights on in her car for three hours!

Ed Fulenwider

REVIVAL PLANNED AT NEW LIFE BAPTIST CHURCH

An old Fashion Revival with old fashion preaching will begin at New Life Baptist Church located on State Road 608 - Piney Mountain Road, October 1 and continue through October 7th. Services will be at 7 p.m. on Sunday night and at 7:30 p.m. Monday through Saturday.

Evangelist Ed Fulenwider will be guest speaker for the services.

There will be special singing every night. The public is cordially invited to attend. Richard B. Baber is pastor.

Dr. Berkis Will Describe His Swim Saturday

Dr. Alexander V. Berkis, Professor of History at Longwood College, will describe his swim across the Chesapeake Bay this summer. His presentation, including detailed color film taken by Channel 9 T.V. in Washington, will be at 8:00 P.M. in the Seventh-Day Adventist Center, 903 High Street, Farmville on Saturday evening, September 23.

On July 27, Dr. Berkis swam from Rosehaven, Md. to Coach's, Md. He was carried some two miles off course by strong tides and beating waves, but was able to cross the bay in just under twelve hours.

Swimmng for over 50 years, Berkis has received swimming medals from the Red Cross. In 1977 he was given a Red Cross award for swimming 54.4 miles and another in 1978 for swimming 102 miles. His favorite swimming spot is in the Gulf of Mexico, near Gulfport, Florida.

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Winners Announced At Appomattox Farm Supply Open House

Fleming W. Drinkard, right above, is shown being congratulated by Charles Farrar, manager of Appomattox Farm Supply, on having been the grand prize winner of an Englander Wood Stove at their Open House held Saturday.

During the Open House, Elliott Torrence and Ruby Webb, both won 100 pounds of Richmond Guano Fertilizer; Mickey Martin, Stacie Reynolds, W. D. Myrick and Tina Davis each won a pocket knife; Robert Beale won a Purina Blanket; Mollie Rogers, Marcus Carter and Margaret Vaughan each won a Purina Dog Food Bowl; Larry S. White, 12 gauge barb wire and Adelle Ranson, 13 gauge barb wire; Lisa Roach won a wrought iron pot; Steve Justus won a cordless electric grass cutter; Virginia Spiggle and Mary Ferguson won Purina Worm Kill Paste; G. M. Webb and L. C. Reynolds, Jr. each won 2 dog collars; Jessica Stanley won a lantern; and Cris S. Austin and Peggy D. Ayers each won a set of Purina beverage glasses.

If you did not get by Saturday to the Open House, stop by and look over the "new" Appomattox Farm Supply.

Railroad Festival Gets TV Publicity

Pictured above, left to right, are Polly Ayers, Hostess of Panarama; Evelyn Ford and Patsy Butler, Co-Chairpersons of the Railroad Festival. Evelyn and Patsy were guests on Panorama September 12 to publicize the festival.

PINEY RIDGE CHURCH TO SPONSOR LAWN PARTY

There will be a Lawn Party at Piney Ridge United Methodist Church in Pamplin on September 30th beginning at 5 p.m.

The public is invited to come out for a ham dinner or you can purchase pies, cakes, ice cream, hot dogs and lemonade.

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BIRTHDAYS

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Vera Church of God Plans Homecoming

On Sunday, September 23, 1978, the Vera Church of God will hold a Homecoming Service at 1 o'clock. All members and friends and families of the members and friends are invited to attend. The ladies of the church are planning some delicious home-cooked food for your enjoyment.

Brother Floyd Lawhon who is the state evangelism and home missions director of the Church of God will be speaking in the afternoon. There will be some great spiritual singing in the service, so come on out and enjoy a great time of fellowship.

The Vera Church of God is located six miles northeast of Appomattox on Route 24; take Route 24 to Vera and turn left on State Road No. 655. The church is just one block off Route 24. Watch for the blue and yellow shield sign with the cross in the middle that says "Church of God."

If anyone has any questions just call 352-5443; The Rev. Larry W. Carroll, pastor of the church, will be glad to answer them.

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